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1. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES ILTF'S COOPERATION CONCERNING INVESTIGATION OF TENNIS ASSOCIATION RULES BY LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF ANTITRUST DIVISION OF JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.

2. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO ANSWER ILTF PAST PRESIDENT HEYMAN'S QUESTIONS IN REF A. WHAT HEYMAN HAS ASKED FOR, IN EFFECT, IS AN ANTITRUST DIVISION BUSINESS REVIEW LETTER, WHICH MUST BE REQUESTED IN WRITING OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, ANTITRUST DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20530. EACH REQUEST MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY ALL RELEVANT DATA INCLUDING BACKGROUND INFORMATION, COMPLETE COPIES OF ALL OPERATIVE DOCUMENTS AND DETAILED STATEMENTS OF ALL COLLATERAL ORAL UNDERSTANDINGS, IF ANY. ALL PARTIES REQUESTING THE REVIEW LETTER MUST PROVIDE THE DIVISION WITH WHATEVER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR DOCUMENTS THE DIVISION MAY THEREAFTER REQUEST IN ORDER TO REVIEW THE

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MATTER. IN CONNECTION WITH ANY REQUEST FOR REVIEW THE

DIVISION WILL ALSO CONDUCT WHATEVER INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION IT BELIEVES IS APPROPRIATE.

3. FOR A STATEMENT OF THE ANTITRUST DIVISION'S BUSINESS REVIEW PROCEDURE, SEE 28 CFR, CHAPTER 1, PART 50 (ANTI-TRUST DIVISION DIRECTIVE 2-68), 33 FEDERAL REGISTER 2442 AS AMENDED BY ANTITRUST DIVISION DIRECTIVE 14-73. UNOFFICIAL COPY BEING AIR-POUCHED.

4. FYI - DEPARTMENT REGRETS THAT MORE INFORMATION UNAVAILABLE. THIS RESPONSE WAS PREPARED IN CONJUNCTION WITH JUSTICE, HOWEVER, AND THEY MUST FOLLOW PRESCRIBED PROCEDURE FOR BUSINESS REVIEW. KISSINGER

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